Indian Nationals Residing in Arabian countries

1021. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian nationals residing in Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, United Arab Emirate and Egypt till January, 1988;

(b) the number of nationals of these countries residing in India till January, 1988; and

(c) the number of Indian nationals who have secured citizenship of these countries till January, 1988 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (c) Information is given in statement (*See* below).

(b) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Statement

Sl. No.	Country	Estimated number of Indian nationals residing in following countries	Estimated number of Indian nationals who have secured citizenship of following countries.
1	Egypt	500	Nil
2	Iran	8,000	17
3	Iraq	10,000	4
4	Kuwait	100,000	1000
5	Saudi Arabia	3,80,000	144
6	United Arab Emirates	2,10,000	N.A.
	Total	7,08,500	1165

Purchase of Jaguars from Britain

1022. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India propose to buy more Jaguars and a watchman radar system from Britain; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) The Government do not have any proposal to buy additional Jaguar aircraft from the U.K. However Govt. have recently entered into a contract with a British firm for procurement of one Watchman Radar System for use at the Interim Test Range Facility being set up at Balasor district.

Missing Naval Officers

1023. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Naval Officer of the rank of a commander disappeared from a Sri Lanka bound Naval Vessel near Machilipatnam in December 1987;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;